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NOTICE OF RULEMAKING HEARINGS

The Tennessee Department of Human Services (DHS) will conduct hearings in November to gather comments on proposed new rules and modifications of rules for child care transportation. The rules will affect Child Care Centers, Family Child Care Homes, and Group Child Care Homes that are licensed by DHS.

Dates and locations of the hearings are as follows:

Knoxville – November 4, 2002, 6:30 p.m. (Eastern Time), Main Assembly Room, City-County Building, 400 Main Street.

Memphis – November 6, 2002, 6:30 p.m. (Central Time), County Commission Chambers Room-Lobby Level, 160 North Main Street.

Nashville – November 7, 2002, 6:30 p.m. (Central Time), War Memorial Auditorium, Corner of 7th Avenue/Charlotte Street.

Any individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in these proceedings or to review these filings should contact the Department of Human Services to discuss any auxiliary aids or services needed to facilitate such participation. Initial contact may be made with the Department of Human Services ADA Coordinator, Fran McKinney, Citizens Plaza Building, 400 Deaderick Street, 3rd Floor, Nashville, Tenn., 37248, telephone number (615) 313-5563, (TTY)- (800) 270-1349.

For a copy of the proposed rules and modifications, contact: William B. Russell, Citizens Plaza Building, 400 Deaderick Street, Nashville, Tenn., 37248-0006 and (615) 313-4731. The proposed rules and modifications can be viewed on the DHS website at http://www.state.tn.us/humanserv/

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